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CENTRIFUGAL SEPARATOR HAVING SUCH A SUPPORT DEVICE (As
Amended)

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RESPONSE

In response to the action mailed September 11, 2001, please amend the application as follows:

In the Title:

At page 1, line 8, please change the title to read as follows:

--A Support Device for Supporting a Spindle and a Centrifugal Separator Having Such a Support Device--.

In the specification:

Please replace the paragraph beginning at page 2, lines 5-36 with the following rewritten paragraph:

--WO 89 10794 discloses an example of such a known support device for a centrifugal separator having a centrifuge rotor which is rotatable in a frame member by means of a bearing member. The support device comprises a number of support members extending radially outwardly from the bearing member and which each encloses a helical spring element. Consequently, these support members are arranged to permit relative radial movements between

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